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CITY ATTORNEY WOULD PREVENT 'PHONE MERGER

Columbus City Attorney Files
Motion With Utilities
Commission

Would Make Telephone Companies Show Their Hand
On Rates

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 8—While the state utilities commission was preparing to begin hearings on the application for a merger of the Ohio Bell and Ohio State Telephone companies, City Attorney Leach of Columbus this morning filed a motion with the commission asking dismissal of the application as it affects Columbus.
Leach said his action was brought in an attempt to make the telephone companies show their hand in regard to the rates they plan to charge after the consolidation.

ARRESTS ARE TO BE MADE

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
LOGAN, W. Va., Sept. 8—Some 40 warrants have been issued here for the arrest of men who last week are alleged to have formed part of the armed forces whose march on Logan county brought federal troops into the West Virginia coal field. The warrants were issued by Magistrate Gore at the instance of John Chafin, prosecuting attorney of Logan county.
A special grand jury has been called for next Wednesday when, according to county officials, the whole question of the disturbances in the eastern part of Logan county will be investigated. Witnesses are now being summoned.

ENROLLMENT AT STATE IS LESS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 9—Hard times on Ohio farms are reflected in registration figures at Ohio State University this year. There is a 30 per cent decrease in the enrollment in the college of agriculture. In the University as a whole, registration figures show an increase of 10 per cent over last year.

An appeal to farm boys of Ohio to attend the University if they possibly can do so is made by Dean Alfred Vivian of the college of agriculture in an article appearing in the September "Agricultural Student," published by agricultural students at the college. Vivian points out that agricultural college training triples the income of farmers. Powerful forces now at work are certain to better living conditions on the farm, he asserted.
"Rightly organized country life offers more in the way of intellectual enjoyment and of satisfying social life than is possible in any other surroundings," Dean Vivian asserted.

He appeals to farm boys to think seriously before turning away from farming, and into callings in which they have served no apprenticeship, and may have no aptitude.

Ordinarily, the college of agriculture shows one of the largest gains of any college in the University.

GERMAN MARK DROPS TODAY

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
NEW YORK, Sept. 8—German marks, the normal value of which was 23.8 cents before the war, were at their lowest quotation since the war in the local foreign exchange market today. By noon-time they had dropped to 1.005 cents.

BLAMES U. S. FOR DELAY IN MANDATES; RICH GOLD STRIKE FOUND IN ALASKA

LORD CECIL IS SEVERE IN HIS SPEECH TODAY

'Purely Negative' Position Of
The United States Is
Criticized

South Africa's Representative
Makes Sensational
Statement Today

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
GENEVA, Sept. 8—Charges that the "purely negative" position of the United States had been responsible for the delay in the application of mandates by the League of Nations were made by Lord Robert Cecil, representative for South Africa at today's session of the assembly of the League which took up a general discussion of the accomplishments of that body to date.
Lord Cecil reviewed the whole mandate question during which he took occasion not only to criticize the policy of the United States but also the lack of publicity permitted by the recent meeting of the council of the League.

Regarding the note recently sent by the United States department of state he said that international affairs would have been better advanced had it been received earlier.

"These territories," he said, referring to the countries over which mandates were provided by the covenant of the League of Nations, "must no longer be left in their present situation, deprived of a definite status or a definite government."

He said he did not want to appear to criticize the United States "but the mandates should be settled in the interest of the peoples directly interested with them and not further delayed."

CLERKLESS GROCERY SOON TO APPEAR

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
TOLEDO, O., Sept. 9—Clerkless, telephoneless and serviceless grocery stores, which have gained much popularity in the South, will make their appearance in Toledo and Northwest Ohio as soon as leases, now being arranged, are completed. Such stores already are being operated in Dayton and Columbus.

A Toledo syndicate of business men, headed by Attorney H. H. Miller, has been formed to operate the stores in Toledo and 11 other cities of Northern Ohio.

The new stores will be operated on the cafeteria plan. The customers enter by a gate and help themselves to what they want from the shelves, placing their groceries in a basket furnished by the company. They then take them to the cashier, who also is the wrapper. This man and the manager comprise the entire force of the store.

There will be no telephones in these serve-self stores, no charge accounts and no checks cashed. The stores will be operated on the cash and carry plan, no deliveries being made.

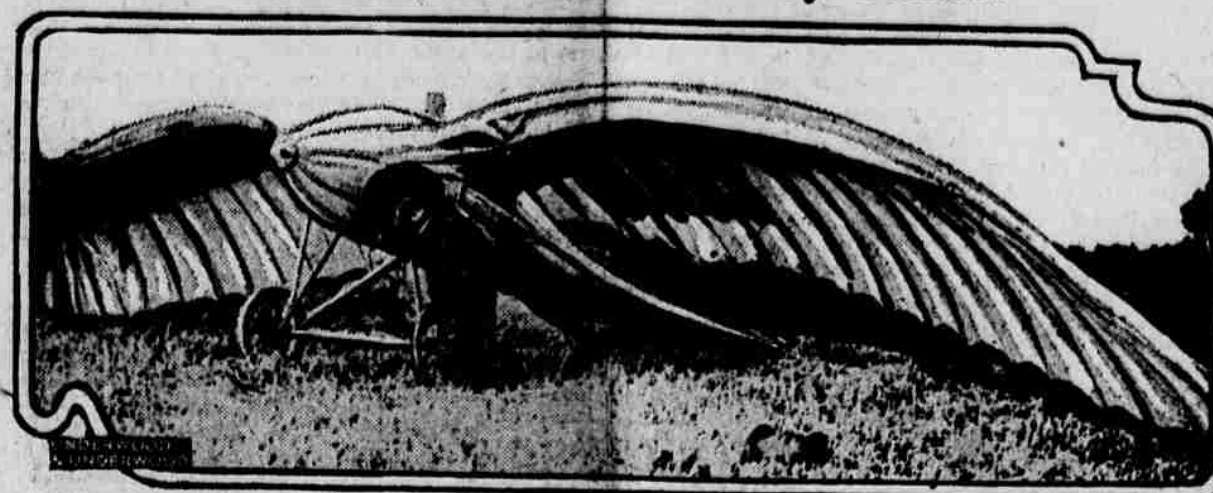
Four such stores will be established in Toledo and one each in the following cities: Fremont, Sandusky, Norwalk, Clyde, Bellevue, Port Clinton, Tiffin, Fostoria, Findlay, Mansfield and Lima.

COLOMBIAN CABINET OUT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8—The Colombian cabinet resigned Sunday, according to a brief cablegram received at the state department from Hoffman Phillips, American minister at Bogota.

UPPER SANDUSKY — Attorney John T. Carey was elected president, and Robert Hare, secretary-treasurer of the new Kiwanis Club organized here with a charter membership of 60.

Bird-Like Glider Invented by German



A front view of the motorless flying machine, invented by Engineer Schwerdt of Berlin, which, it is claimed, is credited with several successful flights. Its lines are extremely novel, and resemble those of a bird.

Z. L. WHITE DIES IN COLUMBUS, O.

Prominent Department Store
Merchant Is Called By
Death

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 8—Z. L. White, prominent department store merchant of this city, died at his home here early today from anaemia. He was 82 years of age.

SEED WHEAT IS AVAILABLE

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 9—Recent reports that there will be 50,000 bushels of certified seed wheat available for farmers this fall are too high, said a statement from the agricultural extension service of the University here. Particularly, the statement said, will there be a shortage of certified Portage, Trumbull and Gladwin are outstanding varieties, judged by success in passing certification, according to the statement.

VILLAGE DESTROYED BY FIRE; 700 HOMELESS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
ROME, Sept. 8—The mountain village of Molteno, near Trant, in the Italian Tyrol, has been destroyed by fire. Seven hundred persons were made homeless.

The flames were spread by a chill wind, which added to the discomfort of the women and children, who already had suffered much from exposure to the frigid mountain air. Tents and other relief materials have been sent to the scene by the government.

FISK AND FEDERAL RUBBER CO.'S MERGE

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Sept. 8—Stockholders of the Fisk Rubber Co. and the Federal Rubber Co. in a meeting here today voted to consolidate the two companies and also to take over the Ninegret Co., a subsidiary. The consolidation will take the name of the Fisk Rubber Co. It also was voted to issue \$10,000,000 of bonds.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Sept. 8—Louis F. Swift, Jr., of Chicago, son of the millionaire packer, and Dr. George E. Neovius, also of Chicago, pleaded guilty to having taken a drink of alcoholic liquor Saturday, in Zion.

Judge Persons of the Lake County court fined them \$200 each. The information against them was filed by State's Attorney A. V. Smith, whose home recently was bombed as a reprisal against his fight on an alleged "booze ring."

LARGEST CAPTIVE ELK



"The largest Elk in captivity," is what this man has been declared by one of the brother Elks. He is Charles H. Shipman of Leesburg, Va., and weighs 465 pounds. In his home town he is declared to be one of the real hustlers, and is one of the "biggest" real estate men.

ASK FURTHER CONFERENCE

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
INVERNESS, Scotland, Sept. 8—Official confirmation that the British cabinet's reply to the latest note from Eamonn DeValera, the Irish leader, which was dispatched to Dublin last evening, invites representatives of the Sinn Fein to a further conference, was given here today.

FIANCE ASPHYXIATED; GIRL DIES OF GRIEF

WARSAW, N. Y., Sept. 8—Grief killed Mary Miles Standish, whose funeral today comes one week after the burial of her sweetheart, Lloyd Warren of Hermitage. Warren was asphyxiated by fumes from an automobile on which he was working in a small garage.

When told of his death, Miss Standish fell in a swoon which was followed by a period of semi-consciousness and delirium, until death occurred. Miss Standish was 21 years old.

NO MORE INDEMNITY CONTRACTS

CHICAGO, Sept. 8—The Chicago board of trade adopted an amendment to the rules of the association providing for the discontinuance in dealing in indemnity contracts.

CANTON — Canton's tax rate for the coming year may be 24.3 mills, unless estimates of needs are slashed.

DEPUTIES ARE DISCHARGED

Toledo Officials, Who Permitted Jail Delivery, Are
'Fired' Today

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
TOLEDO, O., Sept. 8—Sam Zimmerman and Andrew Szemetko, deputy sheriffs in charge of the Lucas county jail on Labor Day when the three postoffice bandits escaped, were dismissed from the service this morning. Sheriff Taylor in announcing that he had discharged the two accuses them of gross negligence and flagrant violation of orders.

TWO DYING IN PISTOL DUEL

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 8—Breast to breast, Anthony Meerpohl, saloon keeper, and John Brady, former city patrolman, fought a pistol battle in Meerpohl's saloon today and both men are dying. The fight, according to the police, was the result of a free for all battle in the saloon last night.

Meerpohl charges that Brady was the leader of last night's trouble and he had ordered him to stay away from the place. When the saloon keeper opened his place today Brady walked in and the shooting began.

CORN CROP MAKES GAIN

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
WASHINGTON, Sept. 8—The corn crop which suffered a loss of about 91,000,000 bushels in production in July, made a gain of 154,000,000 bushels during August over the forecast last month, the indicated production from the Sept. 1, condition being 3,186,000,000 bushels. Winter wheat is estimated this year at 544,000,000 bushels and spring wheat at 219,000,000 bushels, based on conditions Sept. 1.

Bandit Still Free

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
McNEAL ISLAND, Wash., Sept. 8—Roy Gardner, escaped bandit, still is at large today. Every available man on this island, which holds the federal prison, was out last night guarding the beaches and boats to prevent Gardner reaching the mainland. In addition launches patrolled the waters surrounding the island. It is realized that Gardner, if unwounded, may hide for a long time on the island, which is wild and covered with an impenetrable growth in places.

BIG STAMPEDE OF MINERS IS REPORTED TODAY

Sensational Discoveries Are
Made In Alaskan
Field

Richest Gold Strike Since The
Cleary Creek
Days

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Sept. 8—Reports here last night describe the richest gold strike since Cleary Creek days along Wilbur Creek, north of here.
A stampede of miners and prospectors was under way immediately. Advice reaching here by telegraph, mail and in person indicated sensational discoveries. Experts left to investigate.

SECY. DAVIS TO BE IN COLUMBUS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 9—Secretary of Labor James J. Davis tentatively has agreed to deliver the principal address at a mass meeting here the night of Sept. 21, in connection with the quadrennial sessions of the American Insurance Union, is was announced today.

Secretary Davis is a member of the cabinet of the American Insurance Union.
Delegates from many sections of the country are expected here for the meeting, as there are chapters in 23 states and the District of Columbia.

THREE MAY DIE IN EXPLOSION

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
BELLAIRES, O., Sept. 8—Mrs. William Kehr, 40, her son Walter, 11, and her 16-year-old daughter Nellie, were seriously burned today in an explosion which followed Mrs. Kehr's attempt to fill a gasoline stove without turning out the fire. Mrs. Kehr is thought to be fatally burned. The house was practically destroyed.

MULE TIES-UP THE WHEELS OF PROGRESS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
GALLIPOLIS, O., Sept. 8—An obstinate mule went sight seeing today near Belle, West Virginia. His observation vantage point was the K. & W. railroad bridge. But he was not one of the sure footed kind. A railroad man found him with his legs dangling below the ties apparently content with his predicament as it took considerable coaxing to obtain his consent to removal. The wheels of progress stood still while the mule's whims were being satisfied.

HARDING HEADS PRESS CONGRESS

NEW YORK, Sept. 9—President Harding has accepted the honorary presidency of the Press Congress of the world, to be held in Honolulu next month. This announcement was made last night by Dr. Virgilio Rodriguez Beteta, vice president of the executive committee of the congress. He added that a representative of the Marion Star, Mr. Harding's paper, would preside in his name at several sessions.

SOVIET GOVT. WON'T PERMIT INVESTIGATION

Declines To Allow Relief
Commission Make An
Investigation

Claim Appointment Of Noulens Is A 'Monstrous Sneer
At Russia'

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
MOSCOW, Sept. 8—The Russian Soviet government has declined to permit the International Russian Relief Commission, recently appointed by the allied supreme council to investigate conditions in Russia, preparatory to aiding in relief.

This decision was made known today through a note forwarded by M. Chicherin, the Soviet foreign minister to England, Italy, France and Belgium. The note says the Soviet government regards the appointment of Joseph Noulens of France as chairman "as a monstrous sneer at the fate of starving Russia."

FORD IS TO ERECT SHOPS

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
SPRINGFIELD, O., Sept. 8—Car repair shops for the D. T. & I. railroad will be erected in Springfield, Napoleon and other points along the road eventually, that road equipment may be repaired without loss of time, Henry Ford, owner of the road, announced here today. Mr. Ford spent two hours here inspecting property of the road.
"What we are trying to do," said Mr. Ford, "is to give service. We cross every east and west railroad and we know we have a good business proposition."
A hint that Mr. Ford might enter the steamboat business was contained in his statement that "the Ohio River is navigable the year around, and business can be handled to and from the south by water."

REPEAL OF TAX RECOMMENDED

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
WASHINGTON, Sept. 8—Repeal of the excess profit tax retroactive to last Jan. 1, and of the capital stock tax effective next Jan. 1, was recommended to the senate finance committee today by Secretary Mellon. To make up the loss for this fiscal year the secretary proposed retention of one half of the transportation tax until Jan. 1, 1923, a manufacturers tax on cosmetics and proprietary medicines and an increase of 5 per cent in the normal income rate on corporations, making the total 15 per cent instead of 12½ per cent as provided in the house bill.

GAS SERVICE IS RESUMED

[By Associated Press to The Banner]
LIMA, O., Sept. 8—Gas service was resumed here at noon today after an interval of eight days during which nearly 15,000 patrons of the Lima Natural Gas company had been cut off from service. Resumption of service followed a temporary settlement of difficulties over the matter of rates reached in Columbus by representatives of the distributing and producing companies. Details of the agreement were not made public.

AKRON — Dealers and cooperage houses here report a shortage of barrels.